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Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

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International Search Report dated September 29, 2004 established in international patent application No. PCT/EP03/14334 filed December 16, 2003.

**CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY
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All of the documents identified on the appended PTO-1449 form except EP 1172773 are mentioned on the appended International Search Report established in PCT/EP03/14334, of which this application is the U.S. national stage.

EP 1172773 is mentioned on the first page of the written description of this application.

The relevancy of the documents mentioned in the International Search Report is apparent from the International Search Report document and the discussion on page 1 of the written description of this application.

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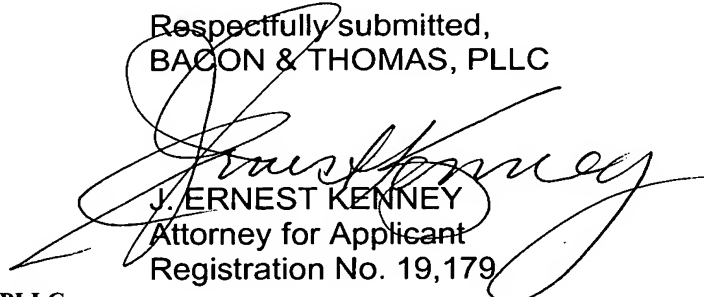
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